

PIGEONS FOR ARMY SHOWN AT GARDEN

Homing Birds, Soon to Be in
France, Seen at the
Poultry Show.

AWARDS ARE ANNOUNCED

Blue Ribbon Goes to Flutters,
That Cost Government
a Nickel.

A swift rise from obscurity to fame is that of Flutters, a modest young hen pigeon, that, six months ago, when Uncle Sam bought her, was rated at the low price of five cents, but is listed to sell for France at once to take a star part in the message carrying corps of homers at the front. Flutters was seen yesterday at the Poultry Show at Madison Square Garden, where she won a blue ribbon as the best young hen in the show, but on advice from Major Frank J. Griffin, who chaperoned her and the rest of the Governors Island birds to the Garden, Flutters declined to be interviewed.

"I intend no discourtesy to the press," Flutters cooed. "But you will understand that as an emissary of the Government in time of war I must be discreet. I can only say that I am leaving for Somewhere in France at an early date and am to have the honor of bearing dispatches for our army in cases where other methods—telephone and telegraph and wireless—have failed because of the barrage fire. It is a post of danger, but also an opportunity to do great service. An English officer who visited the show to-day informed Major Griffin that a homing pigeon last year saved his life and that of two battalions by bringing reinforcements."

Play Important Part in War.

Though Flutters would not discuss her plans she talked long enough to correct a misapprehension caused by the statement that Uncle Sam bought her for five cents. She was worth much more, but Major Griffin, who raised her, wished to give her to his country, only the Government cannot receive gifts, so he took five cents for her. It was in the form of a check, which he has had framed. Many thousands of young racing pigeons, which are known by the undignified name of squeakers, are being purchased by the Government at \$2 apiece or so and will be shipped to the front. The Signal Corps of the army now has a pigeon section, so useful are these little creatures in the conduct of the war.

To-night when the Poultry Show ends the Government sign will be loosed from their pen, and Major Griffin says that if they are not in their nests on Governors Island within five minutes it will be the first time they have disappointed him. Mrs. Mollie Wellington, the egg laying wonder from California, broke her silence yesterday to explain why she had not done a little something along her line since arriving in New York. "It's too cold," she squawked. "And I must say that to bring a famous hen like me from sunny San Diego to New York and immediately shove the thermometer down to 13 below and then stand around expecting me to lay an egg is adding insult to injury."

The fowls did not, as announced, welcome the New Year in at midnight with a chorus of honk honks, crows and rackets, because even when in New York self-respecting birds all have their heads under their wings at that hour. But they were at it early this morning and the noise was such that a person returning from a long drawn out celebration in the vicinity of Madison Square Garden sought refuge in the nearest police station under the impression that the Germans had landed at the Battery.

Awards Are Announced.

The awards of exhibition pens, each consisting of five birds, follow:

Barred Plymouth Rocks—First, E. B. Thompson, America, N. Y.
White Plymouth Rocks—First, Maurice F. Delano, Vineyard Haven, Mass.
Silver Pouter—First, J. J. Borden, N. J.
Bouvier Park Ranch, Borden, N. J.
Buff Orpington—First, Verbiest, N. Y.
Columbian Plymouth Rocks—First, C. J. Pick, Boston, Janette, N. Y.
Blue Wyandottes—First, J. Frank Van Alen, Castleton, N. Y.
White Wyandottes—First, F. B. Williams, Naugatuck, Conn.
Buff Wyandottes—First, Dr. N. W. Sanborn, Helden, Mass.
Pouter Wyandottes—First, Sheffield Farm, Glendale, Ohio.
Columbian Wyandottes—First, C. J. Pick, Boston, Janette, N. Y.
Barred Wyandottes—First, C. C. Geisel, Meriden, N. J.
Light Brahmas—First, Harvey C. Wood, Bound Brook, N. J.
Dark Brahmas—First, Newton Adams, Union, N. Y.
White Faced Black Spanish—First, R. A. Rowan, Los Angeles, Cal.
Blue Andalusians—First, Liangellen Farm, Misses Grace and Alger, Crest Neck, N. Y.
Anconas—First, H. Cecil Sheppard, Berea, Ohio.
Buff Orpingtons—First, Hawnley-Whitely Poultry Farm.
Blue Orpingtons—First, Garvey McKee, Watertown, Penn.
Dark Cornish—First, J. W. Harver, Baltimore, Md.
Speckled Sussex—First, Hawnley-Whitely Poultry Farm.
Light Sussex—First, Houstonia Farm, South Charleston, Ohio.
Red Sussex—First, Wiegert's Poultry Farm, York, Pa.
Mottled Houdans—First, Dr. H. E. Dunn, Silver Spring, Md.
White Houdans—First, S. A. Howland, Granville, N. Y.
White Faverolles—First, K. M. Turner, Photograph Farm, West Nyack, N. Y.
Silver Campines—First, Martling Henery, Ridgefield, N. J.
Kies—First, Mrs. Payne Whitney, Manhattan, N. Y.
Pouter Game—First, P. H. B. Freilinghousen, Meriden, N. J.
Belgian Bantams—First, Mrs. Hattie D. Reese, Marlboro, N. Y.
Lancaster—First, Wildwood Farm, Sayville, L. I.
Black Breasted Red Game—First, J. K. & H. L. Brockway, Somerville, N. Y.
Red Game—First, Red Pile Game, White Game, Black Game, Spangled Game and Cough Oriental Bantams—First, Linde, Farm, Robinson, Md.
King's Comb White Leghorns—First, Dr. W. Young, Malone, N. Y.
Single Comb Red Leghorns—First, Monmouth Farms, French, N. J.
Single Comb Brown Leghorns—First, H. O. Havemeyer, Jethran, N. J.

DURING 1917

THE SUN has published more Art and Antique Galleries advertising than any other daily newspaper EXCEPT OF Sunday Art page advertising, the volume printed is still more largely IN EXCESS. As a similar condition existed for some years prior to 1917, the paramount record of THE SUN for 1918 and thereafter would seem reasonably assured. Studio care will continue to be given (1) to the quality of such advertising, (2) to the distinction and harmony of the setting and (3) to the effective and impartial grouping thereof.

No other Sunday newspaper excludes all other advertising from any section—therefore the value of Art advertising in THE SUN does regularly with its great feature section, which contains the Art Page.

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Stern Brothers

West Forty-second Street

(Between 5th and 6th Avenues)

West Forty-third Street

Commencing To-morrow, the January Sale of Women's American-made Underwear

Offering perfect fitting garments of fine Nainsook, in tailored
and elaborately trimmed models, at these remarkably low prices:

Night Gowns, - 80c, 95c to 2.75	Chemises, - - 50c, 72c to 1.29
Combinations, - 98c, 1.35 to 1.90	Corset Covers, - 48c, 68c to 1.55
Petticoats, - - 75c, 89c to 2.90	Drawers, - - - 48c, 69c to 1.79
Envelope Chemises, at 93c, 1.35 to 2.85	

Pink Silk Undergarments Attractively Priced

Crepe de Chine Night Gowns
at \$3.85 and 4.95

Crepe de Chine
Envelope Chemises,
at \$1.90 and 2.85

Habutai Silk
Night Gowns,
Regularly \$3.95,
at \$2.95

Crepe de Chine Bloomers,
at \$1.90 and 2.75

Washable Satin
Underbodies,
at 85c, 1.39 to 1.85

PHILIPPINE HAND-MADE LINGERIE

Hand-embroidered, in most artistic designs,

AT LESS THAN WHOLESALE COST

Philippine Night Gowns,	at \$1.69, 1.95, 2.25 to 3.75
Philippine Combinations,	" \$1.75, 2.25, and 2.95
Philippine Plain Chemises,	" \$1.35, 1.85, 2.25 and 2.75
Philippine Drawers, - - -	at \$1.10 and 1.50

Philippine Envelope Chemises, at \$1.75 and 2.90

Women's Corsets and Brassieres

A most advantageous purchase of desirable models and materials, will be offered
Wednesday, on the Second Floor, at Fully One-third Less than Regular Prices.

Women's Corsets

Made of coutil and broche; all sizes but not
in every style.
\$1.45, 1.85, 2.75 and 3.95
Regularly sold from \$2.50 to 8.00

Women's Brassieres

Made of fine batiste, elaborately trimmed;
in all sizes,
at 35c, 65c, 98c and 1.45
Regularly sold from 50c to 2.75

The Great Annual Sale of Superior Housekeeping Linens

Provides extraordinary savings from regular prices

TABLE CLOTHS

Linen Heavy Satin Damask, full bleached,
\$3.50, 4.50 and 5.50
Napkins to match, doz. \$3.75, 4.50, 5.25

TABLE CLOTHS

Irish Satin Damask; attractively priced at
\$1.75, 1.95, 2.68 & 3.75
Napkins, doz. \$2.25, 2.95 and 3.40

Full Bleached Irish Satin Damask Linen, \$1.38 yd.

Regularly \$2.00 a yard—VERY SPECIAL.

Linen Sheets, hemst'd, pr.	\$7.25, 10.00, 12.50	Huck, Towels, hemmed; doz.	\$1.25, 1.75, 2.25
Pillow Cases, hemst'd, "	\$1.10, 1.95, 2.50	Huck Towels, hemst'd; doz.	\$2.25, 2.95, 3.50
Crochet Bedspreads, hemmed	\$1.50, 1.75, 2.10	Turkish Bath Towels, doz.	\$2.95, 4.75
Bedspreads, satin finish; hemmed	\$3.50, 3.75, 4.50	Glass and Kitchen Towels, doz.	\$3.50 and 4.50

Famous Old Bleached Huck Towels at \$6.25 doz.

Hemstitched ends; soft and absorbent; size 19x35 inches.

Madeira Hand Scalloped and Hand Embroidered Pieces

Afternoon Tea Napkins, dozen at \$5.75, 6.50 & 7.50	Tray Covers, at 25c, 35c and 50c each	Luncheon Sets, 13 pieces, at \$3.75, 4.75 and 6.00 set
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January Clearance Sale of Women's Suits and Dresses

Priced in many instances greatly below cost

Women's Tailored Suits

Of wool velour, gabardine, serge, velveteen and velour de laine;
in plain tailored or fur-trimmed models,

Formerly up to \$75.00,

at \$13.50, 19.50, 27.50 and 45.00

Women's Smart Dresses

For street, sport, afternoon, theatre or dinner wear; of serge,
satin, crepe de Chine, velveteen and chiffon velvet,

Formerly up to \$69.50.

at \$12.00, 19.75, 25.00 and 39.50

The remainder of our higher priced garments
will be offered at proportionate reductions.

A Clearance of Women's Fur Fabrics and Cloth Coats

Made of Arcadian lamb, soft wool velour, Pom Pom
and other high-class materials, trimmed with fashionable
furs; richly lined and warmly interlined.

Heretofore \$36.00 and 49.75

at \$25.00 and 29.75

Substantial Reductions on all our
High Cost Afternoon and Evening Wraps

Most Exceptional Values in Women's Costume Blouses

Excellent assortment of the favored
materials in the newest models,

at \$2.95, 7.90 to 13.50

Worth \$5.00 to 19.75

Smart Satin Shirts

Advanced Spring models in white or
flesh only; worth \$6.90.

at \$5.00

Lingerie Blouses

Voiles and batistes, effectively embroi-
dered and trimmed; worth \$2.25 to 2.95.

at \$1.50

Annual January Sale of Muslin Sheets and Pillow Cases

At the following very low prices:

Muslin Pillow Cases, hemmed,	22c, 24c, 28c, 38c
Muslin Sheets, hemmed, . .	85c, 1.10, 1.20, 1.45
Embroidered Pillow Cases, . . .	39c and 65c

White and Colored Blankets

At Equally Advantageous Prices.

White Blankets

Double bed size,
at \$3.25, 4.95 and 5.75

Fancy Colored Blankets

Plaid designs, in pink, blue, grey and tan,
at \$3.95